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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re Application of: Syken et al.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Final Office Action dated December 9, 2003 in the above-referenced application. A petition for a one month extension of time and appropriate fee are filed concurrently herewith. If any additional fees are due as a result of this Amendment, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account Number 06-1448, Reference HMV-054.01. Please amend the specification of the subject application as described herein.